UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF MINNESOTA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,) INFORMATION	CR 12-162 DWF
Plaintiff,) (18 U.S.C. §	1341)
v.)	
CYNTHIA CAROL JACOBSEN,)	
Defendant.	<i>)</i>	

THE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY CHARGES:

COUNT 1 (Mail Fraud)

 From in or about 2008 through on or about May 15, 2012, in the State and District of Minnesota and elsewhere, the defendant,

CYNTHIA CAROL JACOBSEN,

did knowingly and intentionally devise and execute a scheme and artifice to defraud Land O' Lakes, Inc., and to obtain money from Land O' Lakes, Inc. by means of false and fraudulent pretenses, representations, and promises.

2. Cynthia Carol JACOBSEN worked as an accounts payable supervisor at Land O' Lakes, Inc. In that capacity, JACOBSEN authorized payments to vendors for services rendered. JACOBSEN fraudulently entered her daughter, J.C., into the Land O' Lakes payment system as a vendor and then illegally authorized over \$1 million dollars in payments to J.C. These checks were sent by mail from Land O' Lakes, Inc. to JACOBSEN's residence. Once she

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received the checks, JACOBSEN cashed them by forging her daughter's signature.

- 3. From in or about 2008 through on or about May 15, 2012, JACOBSEN illegally took approximately \$1.1 million, held in accounts for the benefit of Land O' Lakes, Inc., and diverted the funds to her own personal use.
- 4. During the time period when JACOBSEN was illegally diverting funds, she concealed her actions from the owners of Land O' Lakes, Inc., and made misrepresentations to them concerning the financial condition of Land O' Lakes, Inc.
- 5. On or about December 20, 2008, in the State and District of Minnesota and elsewhere, the defendant,

CYNTHIA CAROL JACOBSEN,

for the purpose of executing the above-described scheme and artifice to defraud, did knowingly cause to be delivered by the United States Postal Service and interstate commercial mail carrier, according to the direction thereon, an unauthorized check in the amount of \$2,599.93, payable to the order of J.C., drawn on her employer's bank to JACOBSEN at her residence in Minnesota.

6. All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1341.

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Forfeiture Allegations

- 7. Count 1 of this Information is hereby realleged and incorporated as if fully set forth herein by reference, for the purpose of alleging forfeitures pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 981(a)(1)(C), and Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c).
- 8. As the result of the offense alleged in Count 1 of this Information, the defendant shall forfeit to the United States pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 981(a)(1)(C), and Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c), any property, real or personal, which constitutes or is derived from proceeds traceable to the violations of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1341.
- 9. If any of the above-described forfeitable property is unavailable for forfeiture, the United States intends to seek the forfeiture of substitute property as provided for in Title 21, United States Code, Section 853(p), as incorporated by Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c).

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10. All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1341 and 981(a)(1)(C), and Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c).

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: June 19, 2012

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